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Ms. Dianne R. Nielson
Director
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
Utah Department of Natural Resources
3 Triad Center, Suite 350
Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

Dear Ms. Nielson:

Subject: Draft Reclamation Policies

Barrick appreciates your transmittal of the above noted documents dated October 8, 1992. These documents were received at Mercur on October 13, 1992. Barrick anticipates submitting written comments on the draft policies.

We are requesting that the Division extend the comment period on these draft policies from November 2, 1992, until December 2, 1992. The existing comment period is inadequate to accommodate review and comment preparation time as well as the need to meet with you and your staff to discuss these policies. Although this request is made on behalf of Barrick, I believe the majority of potentially impacted operators and the Utah Mining Association would support this request. Further complicating the matter is the American Mining Congress' Mine Expo in Las Vegas, October 18-22, 1992, which will be attended by many Utah mining environmental professionals.

Please contact me to discuss this request upon my return to Mercur, Thursday, October 22, 1992.

Respectfully,



Glenn M. Eurick
Environmental Affairs Coordinator (USA)

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cc: D. R. Bird (Parsons Behle & Latimer)
J. E. Christensen (Utah Mining Association)
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